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TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

Thursday, November 6, 2008

1400 W. Washington, Ste. 235
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Regular Session

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Chairman Lovejoy at 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2008. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Participating by Telephone

Gary D. Lovejoy, Ph.D. – Chairman
Fred Wiggins, Ph.D. – Vice-Chairman
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Board Members Not Participating

Megan Hunter Williams

3. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF APPLICANTS

➤ Requesting Examination & Licensure

Dr. Wiggins made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and unanimously carried, that the following applicants, having met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071, be approved to sit for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP), and receive licensure upon obtaining a passing score on the EPPP and paying the prorated license fee:

- **Stacey Anderson, Ph.D.**
- **Erin Baldwin, Ph.D.**
- **Jill Cox, Ph.D.**
- **J.R. Evans, Psy.D.**
- **Margaret Minkus, Psy.D.**
- **Karen Olson, Ph.D.**
- **Susan Page, Psy.D.**

➤ Requesting Examination

Dr. Wiggins made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and carried (5-0-2) with Dr. Mellott and Dr.

Wechsler recused, that the following applicants, having met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071 and A.A.C. R4-26-203, be approved to sit for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP):

- **Saliha Afridi, Psy.D.**
- **Bradley Appelhans, Ph.D.**
- **Kimberly Campbell, Psy.D.**
- **Sara Walsh, Ph.D.**

➤ **Requesting Licensure following Completion of Post-Doc**

Dr. Wiggins made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and unanimously carried, that the following applicants, having met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071 and completed the Post-Doctoral experience, be approved for licensure upon receipt of payment of the pro-rated license fee:

- **Deborah Baker, Psy.D.**
- **Grace Kim, Ph.D.**

4. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PROPOSED STATUTORY CHANGE/AMENDING A.R.S. § 32-2071(E)(6), A.R.S. § 32-2067(A)(13) & (A)(18), & A.R.S. § 32-2071(K) – Dr. Lovejoy, Mr. Foster, Ms. Kamm

Dr. Lovejoy presented the Board with two letters, one from Arizona State University and the other from University of Arizona, regarding the changes to A.R.S. § 32-2071(E)(6). Dr. Lovejoy state that both Universities' position was that 48 months to complete the practicum requirements in their respective doctoral program was not enough time. Both Universities submitted data within the letter that stated that average doctoral student takes approximately 60-72 months for completion of their graduate degree.

Following a brief discussion on this issue, Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, and carried unanimously, to change the time limit listed for completion of a doctorate degree from 48 months to 72 months in the proposed statute A.R.S. § 32-2071(E)(6).

Ms. Kamm presented proposed changes to A.R.S. § 32-2067(A)(13)(18) in order to bring costs current with other 90/10 Boards as well as cover the costs of providing the license verification service to the public. Ms. Kamm noted that other Boards of similar size and scope provided this service to the public for \$25.00, but that the cost to create the verification document to be sent to other states includes time and research of a licensees license records as well as the cost for the verification.

After further discussion, Dr. Paul made a motion, seconded by Dr. Karp, and carried (6-1) with Dr. Mellott voting nay, to accept and modify the changes to A.R.S. § 32-2067(A)(13)(18) to increase the fee of a license verification for purposes of applying for a license, certificate, or registration in another country to \$50.00 and increase the fee of a license verification for any other purpose to \$25.00.

Lastly, Dr. Mellott presented the Board with information on possibly changing wording in A.R.S. § 32-2071(K), specifically that the statute defines "other suitable means" but does not include the contents of A.A.C. R4-26-202(C). Dr. Mellott commented that while it would be appropriate to add the contents of the rule, the Board has to be careful not make the statutes too specific.

After discussion the Board felt that it would be appropriate to add the words "can or may" after "other suitable means" in order to make the statute less exclusionary. The board also felt that the language should be approved by the Board's AG prior to any submission to legislature in order to make sure that the statute was worded properly.

Dr. Lovejoy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Karp, and carried unanimously, to add the proposed language discussed to A.R.S. § 32-2071(K), and review it with the Assistant Attorney General for any suggestions, prior to submitting it to the Board's lobbyist for addition to the omnibus bill for Legislature.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Dr. Lovejoy, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, and unanimously carried (7-0), to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 a.m.

Prepared by:
Meghan B. Hinckley
Deputy Director

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona Mellott, Ph.D.
Secretary